Locomotive Company Ltd., The Automotive Research Association of India, University Grants Commission and Voluntary Health Association of India.

(c) The purpose of the meeting was to bring together all professionals working in the area of traffic safety to discuss the best and most efficient ways of reducing injuries and fatalities in the most effective manner, to give more time and importance to problems of pedestrians, two-wheeler rides and bus commuters; to prevent research findings and concrete methods of preventing crashes, reducing severity of injuries during crashes and improving emergency care of the injured influencing decision makers and changing road user behaviour.

(d) Safety measures concerning pedestrians, motorcyclists, bicyclists, car occupants, alcohol and drugs, biomechanics, drivers, economics, education, trauma, helmet, epidemiology, safety policy, traffic control, urban safety and vehicle safety were considered at the Conference.

(e) Yes, Sir.

Indians killed in Gulf war

402. SHRI M. A. BABY: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the total number of Indians killed in the Gulf War;

(b) the countries where these Indians have been killed;

(c) whether any compensation has been demanded from those countries; and

(d) the total number of Indians at present stranded in Gulf countries and the arrangements made for their repatriation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE (SHRI KAMAL MORARKA): (a) and (b) Government have a confirmed report of death of one Indian national in Iraq due to Gulf war. There has been an unconfirmed report of two Indian nationals having died in Kuwait.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) According to the reports from our missions in the Gulf region, the total number of stranded Indians on February 22, 1991, was estimated to be 70. Our respective missions are in touch with concerned international organisations, local governments and local Indian community to arrange for their repatriation.

Slashing of bus services to save petrol

403. SHRI PRABHAKAR RAO KALAVALA: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have slashed Bus Routes/services not only in Delhi but also in other States and Union Territories for saving Petroleum Products due to on-going Gulf War;

(b) if so, the details in this regard;

(c) the estimated saving of fuel as a result thereof; and

(d) by when the slashed routes/services are likely to be restored?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI MANUBHAI KOTADIA): (a) and (b) No, Sir. On account of Gulf War the State Governments have been asked to be ready with the Contingency Plan of action to be activated at short notice particularly in respect of distribution of petroleum products, fertilizers, coal and soft coke. They have however been asked to prioritise the different routes and if a cut in supplies is effected, to curtail the uneconomic and non-essential services including hiring of buses specially from State Road Transport Undertakings for non-essential and leisure activities etc.

(c) and (d) Does not arise, in view of answer to (a) and (b) above.